ABSTRACT

The invention provides a chemical-mechanical polishing pad comprising a polishing layer comprising a hydrophobic region, a hydrophilic region, and an endpoint detection port. The hydrophobic region is substantially adjacent to the endpoint detection port. The hydrophobic region comprises a polymeric material having a surface energy of 34 mN/m or less and a polymeric material having a surface energy of more than 34 mN/m. The invention further provides a method of polishing a substrate comprising the use of the polishing pad.